

AMENDMENT

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SIR:

In response to the Office Action dated September 23, 2005, please: consider the responsive **Remarks** provided herewith in **Attachment A**; and please amend the above identified application as follows:

 Amendments to the Claims are reflected in the listing of the claims provided herewith in Attachment B.

In view of the amendments made and the remarks provided, it is submitted that the present application is in condition for allowance.

Date: January 23, 2006

Respectfully submitted,

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